

Pledge submitted by Lao People's Democratic Republic to the Human Rights 75 Secretariat December 2023

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Pledging entity: Lao People's Democratic Republic

PLEDGE NUMBER 1: The Lao PDR attaches importance to fulfill human rights treaty reporting obligations, particularly to submit an Initial State Report under the CAT in the course of 2024; and the 19th-25th combined Periodic Report under the ICERD in 2025.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: May 1, 2025

PLEDGE NUMBER 2: 2. The Lao PDR will continue the implementation of the Plan of Action of the 3rd Cycle of UPR recommendations accepted by the Lao PDR in a more effective and productive manner for the betterment of the enjoyment of human rights by the Lao people; and will submit the National Report for the 4th Cycle of UPR at the beginning of 2025.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: May 1, 2025

PLEDGE NUMBER 3: The Lao PDR will continue to promote gender equality in various sectors such as access to education, public health and social welfare, women's economic empowerment and other aspects as stipulated in the Fourth-Five Year National Plan of Action on Gender Equality (2021-2025) and other related National Periodic Plans of Action.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: May 1, 2025